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Marlene Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission The Portals, 12th Street Lobby 445 12th St., SW, Counter TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation IB Docket No. 01-185

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Wednesday, January 8, 2003, David Otten, Chairman & CEO of Celsat America, Inc. ("Celsat"), together with John Quale and the undersigned of this firm, met with Barry Ohlson, legal advisor to Commissioner Adelstein. At the meeting, Celsat stressed that two gating factors are necessary to ensure that the ancillary terrestrial component (ATC) of mobile satellite services (MSS) remains truly "ancillary" to the satellite service: (i) continuous satellite coverage to all of the United States as well as Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands and (ii) every phone in the MSS licensee's network must be capable of communicating directly through both the MSS licensee's satellites and the ATC ground towers.

In accordance with Section 1.49(f)(1) of the Commission's rules, an electronic version of this letter is being submitted for inclusion in the docket listed above. Please direct any questions concerning this matter to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Brian Weimer

cc: Barry Ohlson